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1. Daniel Oduber, Secretary to the governing junta of Costa Rica, received a message on 20 April 1949 which was signed "Sanchez", presumably the signature of Buenaventura Sanchez, Dominican revolutionist and aide to Juan Bosch, 25X1X6 the Dominican revolutionist now exiled in Habana, Cuba.
2. Sanchez' message read as follows: "Juan disposed to sid. Do nothing pending my arrival final destination." The mention of "Juan" is presumably a reference to Juan Bosch. 25X1A6a

Comment. This message was transmitted on the same day that Figueres announced his resignation and the dissolution of the junta, originally effective 8 May 1949, now effective 8 November 1949. Inasmuch as Oduber has always been the contact man between the junta and the various revolutionary groups, it would not appear that this was a personal message. It was more likely concerned with the disposition of the considerable quantity of one-time revolutionary armament which is still in Costa Rica under the control of Figueres. Inasmuch as Otilio Ulate, who was expected to assume the presidency on 8 May, is notoriously unsympathetic to the Caribbean revolutionaries, the latter no doubt considered it imperative to remove all their armament before his assumption of power. Miguel Angel Ramirez and Rosendo Arguello Jr. were both still in Costa Rica as of 21 April and reportedly concerned with the arms problem, although representing opposing revolutionary factions.

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